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DECLARATION OF FORREST B. PHILLIPS
UNDER 37 CFR §1.131

I, the undersigned, Forrest B. Phillips, hereby declare and state as follows:

1. I am the inventor of the invention described and claimed in the above-identified patent application.
2. I am also the inventor of U.S. Pat. No. 6,231,483 B1 (" '483") entitled "Sliding Exercise Apparatus and Recreational Device," which issued on May 15, 2001 from Appl. No. 09/344,302 (" '302"), filed on June 24, 1999. The above-identified application is a continuation-in-part of the '302 application.

3. In the '302 application I disclosed sheeting material, suitable for slidably engaging low friction surfaces, having a low friction, high durability top surface and a high friction bottom surface. Embodiments of the sheeting are described at column 5, lines 21-56 of the '483 patent and shown in Figures 7, 8 and 9. The stated purpose of the sheeting is to provide a low friction surface upon which a user, standing on a sports board with a low friction bottom surface, may slide. My intention was to provide a surface for sliding which could be used either when dry or wet.

4. I further declare that all statements herein made of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true and further that these statements were made with knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 USC §1001 and may jeopardize the validity of the application and any patent issuing thereon.

Executed at Napa, California, this 15 day of March, 2005.

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